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DEATHS

May 18-24 John Thomas Olyer 1954-2021

At Olyer's request, there will no public visitation or funeral service.

Levina L. Coffelt 1940-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, North Chapel, on Friday, May 21 at 1 n m

Julia H. Jekel 1920-2021

Funeral services were held at St. Paul Catholic Church, Marion, on Friday, May 21 at 2:30 p.m. Burial followed at Grant Memorial Park.

Margaret L. Boucher 1934-2021

Funeral services were held at Needham-Storey-Wampner, Rybolt Chapel, on Tuesday, May 25 at 10:30 a.m. Burial followed at Sunset Memory Garden Cemetery, Kokomo.

Mildred Yvonne Brumley 1931-2021

The family will hold a private graveside service followed by burial at Riverside Cemetery, Gas City.

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INDIANA QUIZ

The first Indianapolis 500 Mile Race was run in what year?

a/1901 b/1911 c/1921 d/1931

The first winner was

a/ Wilbur Shaw b/ Louis Meyer c/ Gaston Chevrolet d/ Ray Har-

One lap around the track

a/ 1 mile b/ 1.5 miles c/ 2 miles d/ 2.5 miles

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\$77,011 goes to several Grant County groups

The Community Foundation of Grant County is excited to announce the recipients of the Give to Grant Collaborative Grant Cycle. A total of \$77,011 was disbursed in grants this month to nine organizations for programs and projects supporting positive impact for the betterment of Grant County.

The Foundation is home to a variety of 400+ charitable funds established by generous donors with a pas-



sion for supporting worthwhile charitable causes. The Give to Grant Collaborative uniquely consists of endowment funds established to provide support for general charitable purposes identified as the most pressing needs and opportunities in the community to be selected annually at the discretion of the Foundation's Board of Directors.

"The Give to Grant Collaborative simplifies charitable giving and philanthropic impact by combining generous donations with others to pool resources and generate something strong and impactful for the community," says Meagan Mathias, Community Investment

Manager. "Every year, the Foundation awards between \$1-3 Million in grants to nonprofits, community entities, and college-bound students right here in Grant County. From safety devices and meal delivery services to trail maintenance and neighborhood beautification projects, the Foundation funds a variety of causes that promote sustainable impact towards the betterment of Grant County. This is philanthropy in its

roadest sense."

Below is a summary of how each organization plans to use the awarded funding:

May 26-June 1,

Ivy Tech Foundation was awarded \$10,000 to provide up to 12 students with dual enrollment opportunities. Ivy Tech Community College has one of Indiana's largest dual enrollment programs in a statewide partnership with K-12 schools. The Marion Campus, in partnership with Grant

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Abuse Task Force discusses housing

By Sean Douglas

In its second meeting of 2021, the Grant County Substance Abuse Task Force, together with several members of multiple organizations, discussed housing options for those recovering from addiction as well as those in Grant County looking for affordable living accommodations.

"The more we as a community lock arms and walk forward, we are going to have a greater impact," Marion General Hospital Community and Grant Coordinator Kelley Hochstetler said. "We feel this kind of thing is critical for us to continue to communicate and learn how we can help each other and walk alongside each other in some of the issues."

While there is plenty of transitional housing with places like the Grace House and Hope House ex-



Multiple organizations met at the First United Methodist Church on Tuesday to discuss different housing options for those in need. **Photo by Sean Douglas**

panding, according to Hochstetler, the issue is that not enough people in recovery are finding more permanent housing.

Due to this problem, representatives of the Marion Housing Authority, the Affordable Housing Corporation, and a new business, Next Level Recovery, spoke at length about all the different housing options that they offer to those

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in need.

At Marion Housing Authority, Cindy Udolisa, who heads the Family Self-Sufficiency, stated that the organization is not only looking to change generational issues with the housing realm, but also finding ways to help people find employment as they get back on their feet.

MHA offers four high-rise buildings that house the elderly and disabled, including Hilltop Tower, Martin-Boots, Norman Manor, and Riverside, all based in Marion. The units are all one-bedroom apartments, are all income-based, and are handicap-accessible.

Additionally, the Thomas Jefferson Community, a development of 10-15 units, provides two and three bedroom townhouses for those who

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Five arrested on variety of gun-related charges

Five people were arrested on a variety of gun-related charges following an incident that took place in the early morning hours of Monday, May 24.

On May 24 at approximately 12:50 a.m., Marion Police responded to Waylon's Bar located at 324 E. Charles

St. for a shots fired investigation. Multiple individuals reported that the shots were fired and

that a Dodge Charger, dark in color, was witnessed leaving the scene.

Police spotted the vehicle and gave pursuit. The suspect vehicle was witnessed traveling at least 100 mph on South Washington Street. The vehicle went through multiple red lights through downtown Marion, continuing south on Washington, and passed 26th Street, at which time, for public safety,

the pursuit ended. No injuries were reported.

Later, at approximately 2:25 a.m., Marion Po-

lice responded to the area of 34th & Boots Street for a report of shots fired. Police searched the area and located multiple shell casings in the alley between 3300 South Boots and Felton Street. The casings were photographed and collected for evidence. No injuries were reported.

Also at 2:25 a.m., Marion Police responded to a residence in the 800 block of East 39th Street for shots fired and a home that was struck by a projectile. The homeowner reported that a single round entered the northeast bedroom on the

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